

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Ministry of External Affairs in conjunction with its Missions and Posts abroad have briefed opinion and decision makers in foreign countries about India's point of view. Special efforts have been made to engage key interlocutors in a dialogue in the context of India's National Security concerns and our willingness to contribute fully towards global peace and security. Indian Missions have tailored their approaches to the local milieu and focussed their efforts wherever applicable on the following segments :

- (a) Government authorities
- (b) Members of Parliament
- (c) The print and audio visual media
- (d) Business and industry
- (e) Academia and think-tanks
- (f) The Indian community
- (g) Cultural personalities
- (h) International organisations and,
- (i) The diplomatic community

2. Further, MEA and its missions have put out relevant information on Internet, the Spokesman has issued Press Releases and Statements on the nuclear issues, and the local as well as International media has been briefed on India's perspectives and policies. 29 foreign journalists have been facilitated in India by the XP Division since May, 1998 and the Prime Minister has given 23 interviews to the media during the same period. The outcome of these efforts has been positive and the rationale behind India's nuclear policy is understood better both domestically and internationally.

#### Harnessing of N.C.E.S. in Jammu and Kashmir

5082. SHRI CHAMAN LAL GUPTA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to harness the potentiality of non-conventional energy sources in the State of Jammu and Kashmir; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. In order to harness the potentiality of Non-Conventional Energy Sources, the government is implementing a wide range of programmes such as biogas, improved chulha,

biomass gasification and briquetting, integrated rural energy programme, solar photovoltaic lighting, water-pumping and village level power plants, small hydro power, wind power, geo-thermal energy and energy from urban and industrial wastes, throughout the country including in the state of Jammu and Kashmir. The details of potentials and achievements under various Non-Conventional Energy programmes as on 31st March, 1998, in the State of Jammu and Kashmir, is given in the enclosed statement.

#### Statement

*Details of Potential and achievements under various Non-Conventional Energy Programmes in the state of Jammu and Kashmir*

Sl. No.	Name of Programme	Potential	Achievements (As on 31.3.1998)
1.	National Project on Bio-gas Development (Nos.)	128000	1493
2.	National Programme on Improved Chulha. (Nos.)	1175000	329000
3.	Biomass Gasifier (Kw)	-	120
4.	Integrated Rural Energy Programme (No. of blocks covered)	-	28
5.	Small Hydro Power (MW)	111.52	8.37 (Installed) 13.31 (under installation)
6.	Solar Photovoltaics	-	
	(i) Solar Lighting Systems (Nos.)	-	919
	(ii) Home Lighting Systems (Nos.)	-	6430
	(iii) Solar Lanterns (Nos.)	-	4525
7.	Solar Photovoltaic Water Pumping (Nos.)	-	16
8.	Solar Water Heating Systems (m <sup>2</sup> collector area)	-	1834
9.	Solar Cookers (Nos.)	-	345

MW = Megawatts.

Kw = Kilowatts.

#### Investment of Nuclear Science

5083. SHRI P.C. THOMAS : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether investment by the Government for Nuclear Science has been stepped up;